

**Abstract**

The present invention is in the field of plant breeding and genetics, particularly as it pertains to *Glycine max* (soybean). More specifically, the invention relates to a quantitative trait loci that is associated with enhanced yield in *Glycine max*, *Glycine max* having such loci and methods for breeding for and screening of *Glycine max* with such loci. The invention further relates to the use of exotic germplasm in a breeding program.

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